

Fort McPherson, World War II Station Hospital,
G.U. Treatment Unit Mess Hall (Building No. 114)
Thorne and Hood Avenues
Atlanta
Fulton County
Georgia

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- Location: Thorne and Hood Avenues, Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.
- Significance: Building 114 was built as the Mess Hall for the G.U. Treatment Unit and signifies the expansion of the Fort McPherson Station Hospital during World War II and the role of the T.O. 700 series in mobilization construction. The Unit was built in 1942 to treat men with genitourinary ailments. The men lived and ate separately from other Station Hospital patients.
- Description: Located at the southern end of the G.U. Treatment Complex, the Mess Hall is a rectangular structure (148'-0" x 20'-0" or seventeen bays long by three bays wide), made of hollow tile walls resting on a concrete foundation. The floor is also concrete. The roof and ridge vents are covered in composition shingle and the gable ends in T-111 siding. The windows are six-over-six-light double-hung wood sash. Some of the original openings have been altered. The interior originally featured two rooms: a long eating area and a kitchen/store room. Today, the interior has been divided into offices by partition walls, and acoustical tile ceilings have been installed.
- History: Building 114 was built as a Type M-M-T Mess hall according to standard plan T.O. 700-6400. The Mess Hall served 224 men at a sitting. Originally, tables were set to either side of a central aisle. Four doors led into the building, creating cross ventilation. Shortly after the war, the Mess Hall was converted to a repair shop. Today, it serves as an administrative building.
- Sources: Completion Report, Job Number T2 at Fort McPherson, Georgia. July 1942 - February 1943. (Record Group 77, Army Corps of Engineers, Completion Reports, Fort McPherson. Washington National Records Center.)
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